Region 3 GPRA Baseline RCRA Corrective Action Facility

Chain Bike Corporation (Conewago Contractors, Inc.)

200 Cascade Drive Allentown. PA 18103 Congressional District 15 EPA ID #: PAD053061909 Last Updated 12/3/2002

Current Progress at the Site

In 1992, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), initiated immediate cleanup operations under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). This cleanup focused on eliminating any immediate threat to human health and the environment, and consisted mostly of removing hazardous wastes from the main process building and the drum storage building at the site.

Since 1992, there have been several site assessments performed to investigate soils and hydrogeologic conditions at the facility. As a result of these investigations, several removal actions have taken place. Soils contaminated with heavy metals above acceptable levels were excavated from several areas at the facility and transported off-site for disposal.

A soil and groundwater investigation under the EPA regulation and the PADEP Act 2 "Land Recycling Program" is in progress at the Conewago site.

Site Description

Constructed in 1969, the existing facility was occupied by Ross Bicycles, Inc. (formerly named Chain Bike Corporation), a manufacturer of bicycles and metal ammunition boxes from 1970 until approximately 1987. The manufacturing processes during this period included metal electroplating, electrostatic spray painting, metal stamping, finishing, assembly and warehousing. The Facility included various aboveground and underground storage tanks, an on-site wastewater treatment plant which processed the wastes generated from the electroplating baths, drum storage pads and a drum storage building for hazardous and non-hazardous materials. The facility has been inactive since 1988, but is currently being cleaned up for use by its current owner, Conewago Contractors, Inc. for future use as a warehouse.

Site Responsibility

RCRA Corrective Action activities at this facility are being conducted under the direction of EPA Region 3 with assistance from the PADEP.

Contaminants

The main contaminants of concern at the facility are metals, such as barium, nickel, lead, and antimony. The contaminated soils have been removed.

Community Interaction

The community will be involved in any future cleanup decisions at the site.

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